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Addendum

Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the session

The first resumed ninth session of the Implementation Review Group will be opened on Monday, 3 September, at 10 a.m., in the Vienna International Centre, M-Building, Plenary Hall.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The agenda for the first resumed ninth session of the Implementation Review Group was adopted by the Group at the first part of its ninth session, held from 4 to 6 June 2018. The proposed organization of work for the first resumed ninth session (see annex) was prepared in line with the guidance provided by the Conference and the Group in order to enable consideration of the agenda items within the time and resources available.[1]

The resources available will permit the holding of six plenary meetings with interpretation into the six official languages of the United Nations.

2. Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

Drawing of lots

At the intersessional meeting held on 1 June 2018, lots were drawn for the selection of States parties under review and reviewing States parties, in accordance with paragraphs 14 and 19 of the terms of reference of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption.

On the first day of the first resumed ninth session, lots may be drawn to select the reviewing States parties for any States parties requesting redraws. Lots may also be drawn to select the reviewing States parties for the States parties under review in the

[1] In accordance with Conference resolution 4/6 and the multi-year workplan, which was adopted by the Implementation Review Group to continue its analytical work during the period 2017–2019 (CAC/COSP/IRG/2017/CRP.2), a briefing for non-governmental organizations will be convened on the margins of the first resumed ninth session.

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fourth year of the first review cycle that became parties to the Convention since the previous drawing of lots.

Second cycle reviews

In accordance with the multi-year workplan for the analytical work of the Group, covering the period 2017–2019 (CAC/COSP/IRG/2017/CRP.2), the resumed ninth session of the Group is to focus on analysing the successes, good practices, challenges, observations and technical assistance needs emanating from the country reviews of chapter II (Preventive measures) of the Convention.

3. Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

In its decision 5/1, the Conference of the States Parties decided that the Group should include a new item on the agenda of its future sessions allowing for discussion of relevant information, collected with the support of the Secretariat, in order to facilitate the assessment of the performance of the Review Mechanism and its terms of reference, in accordance with paragraph 48 of the terms of reference, following the completion of the first review cycle.

In this context, the Secretariat will provide an oral update on progress made in the conduct of the reviews in the first and second review cycles. The update will focus on the responses received to the self-assessment checklist, the direct dialogues conducted, the executive summaries and the country review reports that have been finalized and the country review reports that have been made available on the website of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. An oral update will also be provided on the trilateral meetings in relation to reviews in the third year of the second cycle, which were held during the ninth session of the Group in June 2018.

Furthermore, under agenda item 3, States parties are encouraged to provide further information on measures taken after the completion of country review reports.

4. Technical assistance

In its resolution 3/1, the Conference of the States Parties decided that the Implementation Review Group would be in charge of following up and continuing the work undertaken previously by the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Technical Assistance.

In its resolution 6/1, the Conference invited States parties under review, together with the Secretariat, to jointly inform the local representatives of international, bilateral and multilateral technical assistance providers and donors, as well as relevant non-governmental organizations, where appropriate, about the technical assistance needs identified in the country review. The Secretariat will provide an update on the analysis of the technical assistance needs emerging from the country reviews for the first cycle of the Mechanism.

In line with the thematic focus of the first resumed ninth session of the Group, the Secretariat will report on the technical assistance needs identified and technical assistance provided in relation to the implementation of chapter II of the Convention.

To facilitate the Group's discussion of the matter, a panel on technical assistance in relation to articles contained in chapter II of the Convention will be organized.

The Group will have before it for its consideration a conference room paper prepared by the secretariat containing an analysis of technical assistance needs relating to implementation of chapter II of the Convention emerging from the country reviews conducted during the second implementation review cycle.

5. Financial and budgetary matters

It is expected that, at its resumed ninth session, the Implementation Review Group will continue its deliberations on expenditures incurred so far for the operation of the

Review Mechanism, resources received as at the time of writing, both from the regular budget and from voluntary contributions, projected expenditures for the first and second cycles and the current shortfall on resource requirements for the functioning of the Mechanism. An oral update will be provided by the secretariat under agenda item 5.

6. Other matters

The Implementation Review Group may wish to discuss any other matters.

8. Adoption of the report of the Implementation Review Group on its first resumed ninth session

The Implementation Review Group is to adopt a report on its first resumed ninth session, the draft of which will be prepared by the Secretariat.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

Date and time	*Item*	*Title or description*
Monday, 3 September 2018		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the session
	1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
	2	Review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption
3–6 p.m.	3	Performance of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption
Tuesday, 4 September 2018		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	4	Technical assistance
3–6 p.m.	5	Financial and budgetary matters
	6	Other matters
Wednesday, 5 September 2018		
10 a.m.–1 p.m.	8	Adoption of the report of the Implementation Review Group on its first resumed ninth session